

WASHINGTON – Congressman Spencer Bachus made the following comment on learning of a data security breach concerning veterans in Birmingham, Alabama.

“My efforts at this time are on determining the extent of the problem and working to mitigate any damage. Our initial indication is that personal information of as many as 48,000 veterans may have been compromised, and of even greater concern, the records of as many as 20,000 of our veterans were not encrypted.

“While I am encouraged the VA immediately launched an investigation, I am puzzled as to why they waited eleven days to announce that thousands of our veterans’ personal information may have been threatened.

“My office will continue to investigate this serious matter.”

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